

Sustainable Procurement Support for Military Installations (Task N.0791)

Statement of Need

Federal procurement policies and regulations direct Federal agencies, including the Department of Defense (DoD) to give procurement preference to sustainable products when they are available and meet performance requirements. All Services within the DoD are required to improve their sustainable procurement performance in order to comply with federal regulations, Executive Orders (EO) and directives; reduce dependency on foreign oil; and lessen DoD's environmental impact. Improving sustainable procurement practices at DoD facilities enhances mission readiness while protecting human health and the environment and further incentivizing the sustainable economy.

Technical Approach

The Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (ODUSD) Installations and Environment (I&E) compiles the environmental scorecards from the Military Departments to track progress on environmental activities. In addition ODUSD I&E monitors the Military Service's performance to DoD Green Procurement Program (GPP) requirements, assesses efforts to meet the DoD Strategic Sustainability Performance Plan (SSPP) goals and identifies areas of strengths and weaknesses.

In support of the ODUSD I&E, this Task will assess current DoD installation sustainable procurement practices. This will involve interviewing both civilian and military personnel who manage and purchase these products for the Military Services, including higher headquarters, regional, and installation level organizations responsible for affirmative procurement of sustainable products.

Sustainable product awareness will be enhanced by conducting two sustainable product pilots to identify and demonstrate potential sustainable alternatives that could be broadly utilized across the DoD. The installation assessment results will be captured in individual site visit

reports and a final report which will document all activities including final lessons learned, results, and recommendations to assist the DoD with improving its performance on environmental scorecards.

Outreach activities and education will be continually performed throughout the duration of the task and will be utilized as a tool to inform the installations of Office of the Secretary of Defense's sustainable procurement efforts and increasing communication / information-sharing among the Services.

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Status
Ongoing

Anticipated Results and Benefits

This Task will identify needs and opportunities within each of the Services to further assess, demonstrate and implement sustainable product alternatives. A goal of this project is to increase Tri-Service procurement of green alternatives, raise awareness of DoD's GPP and the SSPP.

Technology Transfer and Outreach

Pilot demonstrations will identify green product alternatives and verify their performance in DoD applications. This effort will expand the awareness, availability, and use of green products throughout the DoD and other Government agencies. The NDCEE will continue working with ODUSD I&E, the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) and other government agencies to promote the implementation of green products that meet government requirements.

